

Uncle Alcega
most of the
time. We
hope he
does not
suffer.

Niles Thursday

Dear Mr.

I enclose letter
from Ling May which I
thought you might like
to see. Send it over to Charlie
when you have read it. It
is great things for him to
write anything but business
letters. Tell Miss Barry that
I say I have no doubt from
what I know of the olive that
an uprooted tree might
float on the waters a year
and the leaves be fresh and
green and the tree lodged
at the end of that time. As
as no one supposes the flood
to have remained at its
greatest height all the time

the vine which grows
well on rocky hill sides
might have been submerged
but a short time. If she
finds no harder knots than
that in the Bible she will
not have gone very deep.

Aunt Uncle I can only
say that we are looking for
the end every hour. It
may be today or it may
be a day or two longer,
tho I do not see how it
can. Mrs. T. is still
here, but feel almost
as if it was impossible
to stay and yet is too kind
to go. She is a good woman.

I am feeling better
than a few days ago. Clouds
feel bright when the sun
shines. L. E. S.



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